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ORDER NO. 1843

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners: Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;

Robert G. Taub, Vice Chairman;

Mark Acton;

Tony Hammond; and Nanci E. Langley

Competitive Product Prices
Priority Mail Contract 27 (MC2010-32)
Negotiated Service Agreement

Docket No. CP2010-77

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF

(Issued September 30, 2013)

The negotiated service agreement approved in this proceeding (Existing Agreement) is set to expire October 5, 2013.¹ The Postal Service filed a motion requesting that the Commission extend the expiration date of the Existing Agreement "until such time as the Commission is able to complete its review" of a successor agreement.²

¹ See Order No. 1796, Order Granting Motion for Temporary Relief, August 1, 2013.

² See Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, September 27, 2013, at 1-2 (Motion).

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The Postal Service represents that the parties to the Existing Agreement have executed a successor agreement; however, it has not yet filed this new agreement with the Commission for review. Motion at 1. The Postal Service intends to initiate a new docket early this week to have the Commission review the new agreement and its corresponding rates. *Id.* The Postal Service requests that the Existing Agreement be extended to maintain continuity of the negotiated rates. *Id.*

The Motion is granted. Since the successor agreement has not yet been filed, the Commission grants an extension through the earlier of the day prior to the effective date of the successor agreement or November 4, 2013. Allowing the Existing Agreement to remain in effect temporarily is in the public interest and will not prejudice any person.

It is ordered:

- 1. The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed September 27, 2013, is granted.
- 2. The Existing Agreement is authorized to continue through the earlier of the day prior to the effective date of the successor agreement or November 4, 2013.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove Secretary